



Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts

COUNSELLORS

PROCEDURES

Rationale:

- Students, sometimes find it difficult to sort through tough times on their own.
- Over time, problems can build up and some students find it difficult to concentrate on the school commitments and other facets of their lives.

Aims:

- To provide students at Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts with a professional level of support.
- That this support is provided by qualified counsellors.
- To provide students with referrals to outside agencies if necessary.

Implementation:

- Students at Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts can access the services of two highly experienced and professional school counsellors.
- Tanya Bertapelle (Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays) and Bronwyn Philps (Thursdays and Fridays) are based at the school to support students in need of counselling services.
- Students are encouraged to make an appointment to see the school counsellors.
- Alternatively, students can make contact with their Year Adviser to organised an appointment.
- Matters are always handled discretely and with due regard for appropriate Child Protection processes.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by the P and C in June 2016